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Election to the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In accordance with ECOSOC decision 1996/222, the Secretary-General has received the following nomination from the Government of the Netherlands to the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development: Wilhelmus C. Turkenburg.

2. The term of office would begin on the date of election. Biographical information on the candidate is set out in the annex below.

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Annex

Biographical information on Wilhelmus C. Turkenburg (Netherlands)

Education

1971:	Master of Physics and Mathematics, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
1976:	Doctor of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, University of Amsterdam (thesis: "Surface Layer Analysis by Medium Energy Ion Scattering")

Work experience

1980-1985:	Senior scientist and Assistant Professor, at Utrecht University
1988-present:	Professor of Science, Technology and Society at Utrecht University
1992-1993:	Professor of Environmental Science (part-time) at the Free University of Brussels, Belgium
1997-present:	Member of the Netherlands Council for Housing, Physical Planning and Environment, appointed by the Queen of the Netherlands

Awards

1996:	Greenman Award at the Third Conference on Carbon Dioxide Removal (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). This award is given "to honour important contributions toward harnessing technology so that the human race can better live in harmony with the environment".

Membership

1974-present:	Member and Chairman of the Dutch Energy Policy Research Group
1988-present:	Member of the Environmental Impact Statement Committee of the Netherlands
1989-1991:	Chairman of the 1989 and the 1991 Netherlands Solar Energy Conference
1989-1993:	Member of the Working Group on Renewable Energy Sources of the World Energy Council, and Chairman of the Subcommittee on Wind Energy of the World Energy Council
1990-1992:	Chairman of the Programme Committee of the First International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Removal (ICCDR-I), Amsterdam, March 1992
1992-1994:	Consultant of the World Bank for solar photovoltaics (Global Environment Facility)
1992-1993:	Member of the Scientific Committee of the Second International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Utilization (ICCDU-II), Bari, Italy, September 1993
1993-present:	Member/Vice-Chairman/Rapporteur of the United Nations Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development
1993-1994:	Member of the Programme Committee of the Second International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Removal (ICCDR-II), Kyoto, Japan, October 1994

1993-1994:	Member of the Programme Committee of the International Conference on Climate Change Research, Maastricht, Netherlands, December 1994
1993-1995:	Member/Lead author of the Working Group on Energy Supply Mitigation Options of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPPC)
1994-1995:	Member of the Programme Committee of the Third International Conference on Carbon Dioxide Utilization (ICCDU-III), University of Oklahoma, United States of America, April/May 1995
1997-present:	Member of the Council for Housing, Physical Planning and Environment of the Netherlands
1997:	Rapporteur of the United Nations Expert Workshop entitled "Fostering the Linkage between Energy and Sustainable Development within the International Institutions", Vienna, January 1997
1997-present:	Member of the Programme Committee of the Fourth International Conference on Greenhouse Gas Control Technologies (GHGT-4), Interlaken, Switzerland, August/September 1998
1998:	Scientific Director of the Utrecht Energy Research Centre